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FAIR OCTOBER 20-25, 1975 SAUDI ARABIA

- 1. DURING MANZOLILLO'S VISIT TO SAUDI ARABIA WITH THE BUILDING MATERIALS TRADE MISSION HE CONTACTED ABDULUZIZ M. ALMONDIAN JIDDA AIRPORT AND RECEIVED A VERBAL AGREEMENT TO USE THE AIRPORT FACILITIES FOR THE SUBJECT FAIR. IN RIYADH MANZOLILLO CONTACTED SAMI BADER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY AND RECEIVED A VERBAL CONSENT TO HOLD THE FIRST U.S. FAIR IN SAUDI ARABIA.
- 2. IN RIYADH MANZOLILLO MET WITH FUAD S. SABBARA OF INTER-CONTINENTAL HOTEL. A VERBAL AGREEMENT WAS REACHED TO USE HOTEL FACILITIES FOR THE FAIR AND RESERVED 60 ROOMS. SABBARA IS TO CONTACT POST IN REGARD TO RENTAL COSTS ON THE RETURN OF KHALIFA FROM PARIS APRIL 19, 1975.
- 3. POST ACTION

A)PER ROUGH DRAFT LETTERS FORWARD BY MANZOLILLO FROM UNCLASSIFIED

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DAHRAN TO POST, POST TO SEND FORMAL LETTERS IN ARABIC TO

ABDULAH MAHDI DIRECTOR GENERAL OF AVIATION FOR FORMAL CONFIRMATION AND COSTS FOR USE OF AIRPORT FACILITIES FOR SUBJECT FAIR AND TO MOHMAD EL AWADI MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY, RIYADH FOR WRITTEN CONFIRMATION TO STAGE A FAIR IN SAUDI ARABIA.

B) POST CABLE USDOC ANY INFORMATION REGARDING CONFIRMATION RECEIVED, COSTS OTHER DATA FROM JIDDA AIRPORT AND INTER-CONTINENTAL HOTEL.

C) SINCE SOLICITATION TIME VERY SHORT, BETTER LOGISTICS FOR RECEIVING OCEAN FREIGHT, AMPLE FAIR SPACE AND COMMERCIAL CENTER. USDOC PREFERS JIDDA AS FAIR LOCATION. APPRECIATE POST RESERVING 60 ROOMS FOR FAIR PARTICIPANTS OCTOBER 18-26. ROOMS NEED NOT BE IN ONE HOTEL.

4. USDOC PROCEEDING WITH SOLICITATION OF FAIR PARTICIPANTS ON ASSUMPTION OF VERBAL COMMITMENTS RECEIVED IN
JIDDA AND RIYADH AND ASSUMPTION POST WILL OBTAIN FORMAL
WRITTEN AGREEMENTS AND COSTS FROM MINISTRY AND ALSO INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL KISSINGER

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